

EXHIBIT 2  
DATE 2/1/13  
HB 5

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SAFETY HANDRAILS FOR THE CAPITOL'S  
GRAND STAIRCASE  
Long-range Planning Committee  
Friday, February 1, 2013  
Room 317B, State Capitol  
8 a.m.**

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- MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE
- MY NAME IS BETTY BABCOCK, AND I AM A MEMBER OF THE MONTANA CAPITOL RESTORATION FOUNDATION.
  - THE FOUNDATION RAISES MONEY FOR THE RESTORATION, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE CAPITOL.
- THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SAFETY HANDRAILS ON THE GRAND STAIRCASE IN THE CAPITOL.
- WE BELIEVE THAT HANDRAILS WILL HELP ENSURE THE SAFETY OF LEGISLATORS, EMPLOYEES, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC WHO USE THE CAPITOL.
- AS YOU MAY KNOW, THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL PEOPLE WHO HAVE SUSTAINED INJURIES WHEN THEY HAVE FALLEN ON THE STAIRS.
  - HANDRAILS WILL HELP TO PREVENT THESE FALLS AND REDUCE THE STATE'S LIABILITY FOR INJURIES.
- THE CAPITOL RESTORATION FOUNDATION WOULD LIKE TO DONATE \$20,000 TOWARD THIS PROJECT.

- WE BELIEVE THAT IT WOULD BE MONEY WELL SPENT.
- WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR FUNDING THIS PROJECT.
- THANK YOU.